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Dear

Thank you for your email date of 26 January 2015 requesting the following information:

- 1 Does the MOD still own Haile Sand Fort?
- 2 If so what is this Fort used for?
- 3 Is it allowed for a member of the public access Haile Sand Fort?
- 4 How much money is spent maintaining Haile Sand Fort in the course of a financial year (please provide the last ten years information)?
- 5 Do any people work there or have regular access to the fort.
- 6 Has the MOD sold Haile Sand Fort?
- 7 If so who was it sold to?
- 8 When was it sold?
- 9 How much was it sold for?
- 10 Are there any conditions attached to the sale.
- 11 Does the MOD still have the plans for Haile Sand Fort.
- 12 Please can I have an electronic copy (scan) of these plans.
- 13 Please can I have any remaining historical records of the personnel who worked there during the Second World War (electronic copy please)
- 14 Please can I have any official photos that may exist showing the Fort as a working artillery base.
- 15 In addition to the above please can I have records of any members of the RAMC who were stationed at the Fort."

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence, and I can confirm that no information in scope of your request is held.

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to note that the most likely source of information regarding the Fort and its disposal would be The National Archives (TNA). TNA Catalogue can be accessed at <http://discovery.nationalarchives.gov.uk/>. I also have attached a Word Document, which contains a number of references to material at TNA and a couple of books that may be of general relevance.

I cannot guarantee that there will be no other files of relevance at TNA and would always recommend that any researcher attempts a broader search of TNA catalogue and any relevant local archives.

It is also important to note that Wikipedia indicates that the Forts have been listed and information is accessible through English Heritage. Therefore it is possible that English Heritage may have other archival material regarding the site.

Whilst I cannot directly answer your enquiry, I do hope that the information provided will be of assistance to you.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting **the Information Rights Compliance team, 1st Floor**, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <http://www.ico.gov.uk>.

Yours sincerely,

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Parliamentary Team